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**Foreign Applications**

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**Title**

Woven or knitted fabric, diaphragm for speaker, and speaker

**Preliminary Class**

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The United States Application Number assigned to the application is shown above and the relevant dates are:

04/05/2007

DATE OF RECEIPT OF 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2) and  
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- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 09/07/2006
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